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TAGS: OEXC.KE (BLASSINGAME, JOHN)

SUBJ: STAG: DR. JOHN W. BLASSINGAME

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 0539-C

1. STAG BLASSINGAME, DURING FOUR-DAY NAIROBI STAY, LECTURED AT UNIVERSITY NAIROBI AND KENYATTA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, HAD IN-DEPTH DISCUSSIONS WITH TEACHERS OF AFRO-AMERICAN HISTORY BOTH INSTITUTIONS, AND APPEARED ON VOK'S PRIME TIME PROGRAM "MAMBO LEO." ALL APPEARANCES BALANCED, SCHOLARLY, OBJECTIVE.

2. BLASSINGAME IS PERSONABLE, HARD-WORKING, FLEXIBLE AND EXTREMELY CONSCIENTIOUS. A SOLID SPEAKER, HE DEVELOPED GOOD RAPPORT IN PERSONAL, GROUP AND REPRESENTATIONAL SITUATIONS.

3. PRIOR HOME COMMITMENT (EDITING FREDERICK DOUGLASS PAPERS) ELIMINATES THIS SCHOLAR AS OUR PRIME CANDIDATE FOR FILLING UNIVERSITY NAIROBI REQUEST FOR FULBRIGHTER IN NEWLY ESTABLISHED AFRO-AMERICAN HISTORY COURSE.

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